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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
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THE Steamship *Japan*, having arrived
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in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned
for countersignature, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.

Consignees are hereby informed that all
Claims must be made immediately, as
no time will be entertained after the 13th
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Hongkong, August 5, 1885. 1322

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FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
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rived from the above Ports, Consignees
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for countersignature, and to take im-
mediate delivery of their Goods.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
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Hongkong, August 4, 1885. 1314

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
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Hongkong, July 30, 1885. 1287

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Hongkong, July 25, 1872. 496

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Hongkong, November 6, 1883. 855

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Hongkong, June 30, 1885. 1101

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Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

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Hongkong, January 4, 1867. 100

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6th August, 1885. 1337

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Captain.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Batavia, &c., via Saigon.	Gouv. General J. Jacob (s).	Beaseling	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About August 8.
Humburg.	Stentor (s).
Kobe and Yokohama.	Ghanar (s).	J. Johnson.	Adamson, Bell & Co.	August 9.
London, via Suez Canal.	Hector (s).	...	Butterfield & Swire.	August 9.
London, via Suez Canal.	London (s).	R. Harvey.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	August 13, at 4 p.m.
London, via Suez Canal.	Uranilla (s).	Jacobs.	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About August 21.
London, via Suez Canal.	Walcote (s).	Quick despatch.
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New York, via Suez Canal.	Hastings (s).	Quick despatch.
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San Francisco, via Yokohama.	City of Peking (s).	Quick despatch.
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Shanghai.	Rhede (s).	Quick despatch.
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SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

August 6, 1885.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Position.	Position.	Position.	Position.	Position.	Position.	Position.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	126 1/2	126 1/2	£4,400,000	£1,670 1/2	2 1/2	158 1/2	prem. cash, 160 31st	
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	5,000	200 1/2	50	£40,000	£40,000		£24 300	per share	
Yangtze Insurance Company, Ltd.	8,000	25 1/2	25 1/2	£50,000	£50,000		£130	"	
Union Insurance Society Co., Ltd.	2,000	1,260 1/2	125 1/2	£34,000	£34,000		£490	"	
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	24,000	33 1/2	25 1/2	£60,000	£60,000		£68	"	cash
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	25 1/2	25 1/2	£100,000	£100,000		£82 1/2	"	buyers
Chinese Insurance Co., Limited.	1,500	1,000 1/2	200 1/2	£28,711.80	£28,711.80		£165	"	
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	25 1/2	25 1/2	£90,000	£90,000		£363	"	cash
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	100 1/2	20 1/2	£47,500	£47,500		£74	"	cash
HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ltd.	8,000	100 1/2	75 1/2	£206,230.55	£206,230.55		4,692.98	5 1/2	half year
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited	18,387 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	£18,387 1/2	£18,387 1/2		17 1/2	"	discount
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	3,000	100 1/2	100 1/2	£3,000	£3,000		25	"	discount
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	125 1/2	125 1/2	£12,500	£12,500		6,683.96	5 1/2	half year
HK. and China Gas Co., Limited.	500	10 1/2	10 1/2	£5,000	£5,000		55	"	prem. buyers
New Shares.	1,900	10 1/2	10 1/2	£19,000	£19,000		£90	"	per share, nominal
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	2,000	100 1/2	100 1/2	£2,000	£2,000		£160	"	per share, buyers
China Sugar Company, Limited.	1,000	100 1/2	100 1/2	£1,000	£1,000		£120	"	ex div., buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited.	1,000	100 1/2	100 1/2	£1,000	£1,000		£120	"	ex div., buyers
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ltd.	800	50 1/2	50 1/2	£4,000	£4,000		£120	"	ex div., buyers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited.	7,000	100 1/2	100 1/2	£7,000	£7,000		£120	"	ex div., buyers
Perak Tin Mining & S'ing Co., Ltd.	5,000	50 1/2	50 1/2	£2,500	£2,500		£120	"	ex div., buyers
Selangore Tin Mining Co. (S'hai).	2,000	100 1/2	100 1/2	£2,000	£2,000		£120	"	ex div., buyers
H'kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	3,000	50 1/2	50 1/2	£1,500	£1,500		£120	"	ex div., buyers
Chinese Imperial 1881	5,000	500 1/2	500 1/2	£2,500	£2,500		£120	"	ex div., buyers
" 1884 A.	2,700	500 1/2	500 1/2	£1,350	£1,350		£120	"	ex div., buyers
" 1884 B.	2,700	500 1/2	500 1/2	£1,350	£1,350		£120	"	ex div., buyers
" 1884 C.	2,700	500 1/2	500 1/2	£1,350	£1,350		£120	"	ex div., buyers
Sugar Debiture, 1889	600	500 1/2	500 1/2	£300	£300		£120	"	ex div., buyers

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship
Nagasaki,
Capt. Wm. Forre, will be
despatched for the above
Port TO-MORROW, the 7th Instant, at
4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, August 6, 1885. 1330

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship
Natal,
Commandant S. N. H.,
will be despatched for the above
SHANGHAI TO-MORROW, the 7th Inst.,
at 6 p.m.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, August 6, 1885. 1341

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.

The Co.'s Steamship
Manila,
Capt. TAYLOR, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on TUESDAY, the 11th Instant, at
5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, August 6, 1885. 1338

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).

The Co.'s Steamship
Paquet,
Capt. S. N. H., will be
despatched for the above
Ports on THURSDAY, the 13th Instant, at 4 p.m.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, August 6, 1885. 1340

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Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
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Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

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A. D. Field. Amherst, Karberg & Co.
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R. B. Brown. —P. & O. S. N. Co.
B. H. STEEKE, German brig, Captain
Chr. Meyer. —Mellers & Co.

ELKETTA, Austro-Hungarian str., Capt.
G. Mahorisch. —O. Bachrach.

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E. P. Nicholas. —Order.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to ports beyond San Francisco should be sent to the Company's Offices in San Francisco, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, July 29, 1885. 1284



STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, MARSEILLE, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, LONDON AND BOSTON.

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Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing. For further Particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bill of Lading.

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This Steamer calls at MANILA.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, August 5, 1885. 1283

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TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

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C. D. HARMAN, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, July 30, 1885. 1285

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COURSE, DISTANCE, AND AVERAGE SPEED TABLES, FROM LONDON, VIA THE SUEZ CANAL, TO INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN, &c., WITH VARIOUS OTHER TABLES AND NOTES.

W. A. GULLAND.

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Hongkong, September 2, 1884. 1475

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In the following Statements and Tables the rates are given in cents and are, for Letters per five ounces, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

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Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though Written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Return Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 8 ounces, and must not exceed those dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

Countries of the Postal Union.

The Union may be taken to comprise Europe, all foreign possessions in Asia, Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Mauritius, all N. America, Mexico, Salvador, Brazil, Peru, Chili, Venezuela, The Argentine Republic, Jamaica, Trinidad, Guyana, Honduras, Nicaragua, El Salvador, with all Danish, French, Netherlands, Portuguese and Spanish Colonies.

Countries not in the Union.—The chief countries not in the Union are the Australian Group, and S. Africa.

Postage to Union Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—Letters, 10 cents per 3 oz. Post Cards, 3 cents each. Newspapers, 10 cents each. Books, Patterns and Comm. Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

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Postage to Non-Union Countries.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2; Via Ceylon, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2.

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LOCAL POSTAGE.

General Local Rates for Hongkong, Macao, China, Japan, Siam direct (d), Cebu-China, Fuzhou, and the Philippines:—

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Newspapers and Prices Current, each, 2 cents. Registration, 10 cents.

(d) Via Singapore, 10 cents. (e) Between Hongkong, Canton, and Macao 1 cent.

Local Delivery.

1. All correspondence posted before 5 p.m. on any week day for addresses in Victoria will be delivered the same day, and generally within two hours, unless the delivery should be retarded by the Contract Mail.

2. Invitations, &c., can generally be delivered within Victoria at the private houses of the addressees rather than at places of business, if a wish to that effect be expressed by the sender, otherwise all correspondence is invariably delivered at the nearest place of business.

3. For holders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of China, may deliver them to the Post Office unsealed, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

4. For holders may also send Patterns to the same place in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed, if the nature of the contents be first exhibited or stated to the Postmaster General, as he may consider necessary, and approved by him. Printed Circulars may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

PARCELS.—The public is reminded that there is no such thing as Parcel Post to Europe, &c. Much trouble and disappointment are caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fairs, Curios, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels on the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

Local and Indian Parcel Post.

1. Small Parcels may be sent by Post at Book Rates between Hongkong and any of the British Post Offices in China, as well as to Japan, Macao, Peking, the Straits Settlements, Ceylon and India. They must not exceed the following dimensions: 2 feet long, 1 foot broad, 1 foot deep, weigh more than 5 lbs., nor be smaller than 3 lbs. by 2 in. Such parcels may be wholly closed, if they bear this special endorsement: PARCEL, CONTAINING NO LETTERS, but any parcel may be opened by direction of the Postmaster General. In the case of Parcels for India a declaration of contents and value is required, a printed form for which is supplied gratis. The Registration of Parcels for India and Ceylon is compulsory.

2. The following cannot be transmitted: Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed (as handboxes, &c.) Opium, Glass, Liquids, Explosive substances, Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, Iron, Meat, Fish, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or likely to become offensive or injurious in transit.

3. Parcels are in general re-forwarded by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail Packet. They are forwarded by the P. & O. and Indian Mail Packets only, to Ceylon by P. & O. only. No responsibility is accepted with regard to any parcel, unless Registered, and then only to the amount of \$10.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound those facilities with a Parcel Post to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

It is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed:—

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be Registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver coins, jewelry, or any other valuable article, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of durable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limit of weight allowed are as follows:—Books and Papers to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs. Patterns to British Offices, 5 lbs. if with, out intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.

The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

No compensation can be paid for mere damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, hand-made books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

Mixed or Delayed Correspondence.

When correspondence has been misdirected or delayed (both of which are liable to happen occasionally) all that the addressee need do is to note on the cover, Sent to me, or Received at 7 p.m., or as the case may be, and forward it, without any other writing whatever, to the Postmaster General. This should be acted on the first time cause of complaint occurs; it is a mistake to let such matters pass for fear of giving trouble, a course which generally gives more trouble in the end.

Chair, Jinricksha, and Boat Hire.

LEARNED TARIFF OF FEES FOR CHAIRS, CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS, IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

Half hour, ... 10 cts. One hour, ... 20 cts. Three hours, ... 60 cts. Six hours, ... 1.00. Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

TO VICTORIA PEAK.

Single Trip. Return Direct. Four Coolees, \$1.00. Four Coolees, \$1.50. Three Coolees, 0.50. Three Coolees, 0.75. Two Coolees, 0.70. Two Coolees, 1.00.

By Pok-fai-Lam. By Aberdeen, Shortest Road. Four Coolees, \$2.00. Four Coolees, \$2.50. Three Coolees, 1.60. Three Coolees, 1.80. Two Coolees, 1.30. Two Coolees, 1.60.

By Wan-tai-Gap. Four Coolees, \$1.15. Three Coolees, 0.95. Two Coolees, 0.80.

TO THE PEAK HUTCHES, AND HOUSES IN VICINITY OF MOUNT KELLET AND MOUNT GOOSE.

Single Trip. Return Direct. Four Coolees, 0.50 cts. Four Coolees, 0.70 cts. Three Coolees, 0.35 cts. Three Coolees, 0.55 cts. Two Coolees, 0.35 cts. Two Coolees, 0.55 cts.

Returning by other routes will be the same as from Gap.

The Return Fare includes a trip of not more than three hours except returning by Aberdeen when three hours and a half will be allowed.

For every hour or part of an hour above three or three and a half, each Cooley will be entitled to an additional payment of five cents.

Nothing in above scale prevents private agreements.

Licensed Barbers (each). One Hour, ... 10 cents. Half day, ... 35 cents. Day, ... 60 cents.

Quarter Hour, 0.05 cts. One Hour, ... 15 cts. Half Hour, ... 10 cts. Two Hours, ... 25 cts. For every hour or part of an hour ... 10 cts. over two hours, ... 20 cts.

To Pok-fai-Lam or Quarry Bay, ... 20 cts. Return, ... 35 cts. To Shekwan, ... 35 cts. Return, ... 50 cts. To Aberdeen, ... 35 cts. Return, ... 60 cts. An extra Cooley is employed, the fare will be double.

Nothing in this scale prevents private agreements.

BOAT AND COOLEE HIRE.

1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Day, ... \$3.00. 1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Load, ... 2.00. 2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Day, ... 2.50. 2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Load, ... 1.75. 3rd Class Cargo Boat or 350 piculs, per Day, ... 1.00. 3rd Class Cargo Boat or 350 piculs, per Load, ... 0.60. 3rd Class Cargo Boat or 350 piculs, Half Day, ... 50 cts.

or Puller's Boat, per Day, ... \$1.00. One Hour, ... 20 cts. Half Day, ... 10 cts. After 6 p.m., 10 cents extra.

Nothing in this scale prevents private agreements.

SEVERAL COOLEES.

One Day, ... 20 cents. Half Day, ... 10 cents. Three Hours, ... 12 cents. One Hour, ... 5 cents. Half Hour, ... 3 cents. Nothing in the above Scale to affect private agreements.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A, near the Kowloon shore B, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section. 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works. 2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf. 3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office. 4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. & O. Co.'s Office. 5. From P. & O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf. 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard. 7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings. 8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Country.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Discharge of Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers							
Activ	2h	Rorvbeek Dan.	str.	208	Aug. 5	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Haiphong
Asia	3	Horstmann Ger.	str.	900	Aug. 5	6 Melchers & Co.	8th inst.
Ching-tung	2	Winnor Amer.	str.	574	Aug. 5	6 Russell & Co.	San Francisco
City of Peking	5	Amely Ger.	str.	560	Aug. 5	P. & O. S. N. Co.	9th inst.
Electra	6	Mahorich A-Hun	str.	2095	Aug. 4	O. Behrlich	10th inst.
Euphrates	6	Mitchell Brit.	str.	1300	July 29	29 Russell & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Fama	2h	Johnson Brit.	str.	1177	.....	H. K. & W'pos Dock Co.	Laid up
Ghazee	3	Johnson Brit.	str.	1764	July 21	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Humboldt	3	Williams Brit.	str.	1842	Aug. 5	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Island	3	Whitburn Brit.	str.	1464	Aug. 5	1 Adamson & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Japan	3	Allason Brit.	str.	981	Aug. 2	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Japan	6	Gardner Brit.	str.	1885	Aug. 4	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Japanese	3	Moore Brit.	str.	1204	Aug. 5	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Konnet	6	Sanderson Brit.	str.	1175	July 31	Ban Moh	Calcutta, &c.
Kong Beng	3	James Brit.	str.	704	Aug. 5	3 Yen Fat Hong	Calcutta, &c.
Maria	5	Hohlmann Ger.	str.	704	Aug. 4	Widder & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Melita	3	Morok Ger.	str.	339	Aug. 3	A. R. Marty.	Haiphong
Menzel	3	Benois Fch.	str.	1913	Aug. 2	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama
Namoa	5h	Wesoby Brit.	str.	802	Aug. 5	Douglas Steamship Co.	Coast Ports
Natal	3	Sach Fch.	str.	2453	Aug. 6	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai
Nippon	3	Fots Brit.	str.	704	Aug. 5	6 Simson & Co.	Shanghai
Pilot Fish	6	Stepani Brit.	tug.	101	June 21	H. K. & W. Dock Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Quarta	3	Koch Ger.	str.	783	Aug. 1	Chung Ling Wing	Chetoo & N'hwang To-morrow
Sac Gull	3	..... Amer.	str.	48	.....	Ching Tradore Insurance Co.	Chetoo & N'hwang To-morrow
Strathleven	4h	Pearson Brit.	str.	1209	Aug. 6	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Tura	3	Sorensen Ger.	str.	1421	Aug. 5	6 Simson & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Timor	2	..... Brit.	str.	1221	July 23	Livingston & Co.	Sydney, &c.
Will o' the Wisp	6	Watson Brit.	str.	150	Dec. 22	Purdon & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Wingang	6	Oroix Brit.	str.	1518	Aug. 2	Jastine, Matheson & Co.	Calcutta, &c.
Sailing Vessels							
Adam W. Spies	3	Field Amer.	bge.	1171	July 13	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Haiphong
Adolph	3h	Westergaard Ger.	bge.	380	July 23	Carlowitz & Co.	Haiphong
Alfred	3	Holland Haw.	bge.	340	June 29	Wielor & Co.	Haiphong
Andreas	3	Hoyer Ger.	bge.	424	July 28	Simson & Co.	Haiphong
Annie H. Smith	1	Brown Amer.	str.	1492	July 9	P. & O. S. N. Co.	New York
Antio Johnson	4h	Hall Amer.	bge.	947	June 18	Melchers & Co.	San Francisco
Antoinette	3	Bunje Brit.	bge.	381	July 23	Carlowitz & Co.	Haiphong
Anton Gantner	3	Steinbrugg Ger.	bge.	445	July 23	Melchers & Co.	Haiphong
Ben J. Sowell	3	Ulmer Amer.	str.	1307	June 21	Douglas Steamship Co.	Haiphong
B. H. Steenken	3h	Meyer Ger.	bge.	235	Aug. 4	Melchers & Co.	Haiphong
Chamron Kamrye	3	Krag Siam.	bge.	450	July 23	Chin See	Haiphong
Comet	3	Siegner Ger.	str.	1080	June 19	Captain	Haiphong
Eden	3	Nairn Brit.	bge.	312	July 23	Carlowitz & Co.	Haiphong
Elo	h	Johnson Brit.	bge.	387	May 21	Edward Schellhas & Co.	Haiphong
Eug Leo	2	Korok Siam.	bge.	396	June 28	Chin See	Haiphong
Eric Reed	3	Whitburn Amer.	bge.	878	July 15	Russell & Co.	Haiphong
Frank Pondleton	3	Nichols Amer.	str.	1361	July 6	Order	K'loon Do
George F. Manson	7	Morse Amer.	str.	1120	July 23	Carlowitz & Co.	Haiphong
Haroldine	3	Tibbets Am.	str.	1294	June 27	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	New York
Hei Cheong	3	Mine Brit.	bge.	325	Aug. 5	Hong Tsang Tai	London
Heinrich	3	Weyhausen Ger.	str.	1484	June 23	Carlowitz & Co.	London
Highlander	3h	Bachelor Amer.	str.	1200	May 19	Russell & Co.	San Francisco
Highland Light	3	Norcross Amer.	str.	1344	May 22	Russell & Co.	San Francisco
Jeremiah Thompson	3	Peterson Amer.	str.	1094	June 23	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Yamam
John C. Smith	4	Pos Ger.	str.	420	July 13	Captain	Haiphong
Khorasan	3	Visser Ger.	str.	1200	July 23	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Haiphong
Lady Harwood	3	Williams Brit.	bge.	381	July 23	Order	Haiphong
Lucky	3h	Reynolds Siam.	bge.	424	June 29	Captain	Haiphong
Marius of Lorne	3	Raymond Brit.	bge.	1143	July 23	Douglas Steamship Co.	Haiphong
Matilda	4h	Merryman Amer.	str.	630	July 23	Tong Sang Wo	Haiphong
Montaria	3	Hansen Ger.	str.	75	June	Carlowitz & Co.	K'loon Do
Myanvay	3	Vincent Brit.	sch.	162	July 4	Turner & Co.	Haiphong
Nanaimo	3	Dodd Brit.	bge.	297	Aug. 3	Russell & Co.	Victoria, B.C.
Oneida	3	McGillivray Amer.	str.	1074	June 2	Carlowitz & Co.	London, &c.
Ponabocot	3	Chipman Amer.	bge.	1067	June 22	Russell & Co.	New York
Porle	2	Hansen Brit.	bge.	401	July 18	Carlowitz & Co.	Nielokajsk
Queen of England	3	Schumacher Siam.	bge.	417	July 29	Chin See	Haiphong
Raphael	3	Harkness Amer.	str.	1145	June 23	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Haiphong
Reporter	3	Bayley Amer.	str.	1300	June 21	Messageries Maritimes	Haiphong
R. H. Wood	3	Gilkey Amer.	str.	1406	May 22	Purdon & Co.	New York
Sharpshooter	3	Horne Brit.	bge.	438	June 27	Gilman & Co.	Haiphong
Star of China	4	..... Brit.	str.	794	June 21	Melchers & Co.	Haiphong
Stephen	3	..... Ger.	str.	1287	May 17	Order	Haiphong
Swan D. Carleton	3	Freeman Amer.	bge.	823	July 17	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Haiphong
Wandering Minstrel	3	Koch Br. Sm. ec.	str.	366	Aug. 2	Order	Haiphong
W. H. McNeil	3	O'Brien Brit.	str.	1400	July 18	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Haiphong